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For: COMPUTER BASED SYSTEM FOR  
WORK PROCESSES THAT  
CONSIST OF INTERDEPENDENT  
DECISIONS INVOLVING ONE OR  
MORE PARTICIPANTS

Customer No. 24395

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE**

This Response is in response to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2003, having a three-month shortened statutory period of response set to expire October 24, 2003. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time, with the authorization for fees for same, is included. The remarks are respectfully submitted.

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